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There will be published in Saturday's CONSTITUTION of March 24 and the Weekly of March 27th, the first installment of "The Outlaws of Tunstall Forest," a new serial by Robert Louis Stevenson, the author of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," "Kidnaped," and "Treasure Island," and of several books of travel and many stories of adventure. Some English writers have pronounced Mr. Stevenson "the most romantic and unmodern character of his time, the Knight Errant of the nineteenth century." He has written some seventeen volumes, and every one has been read and enjoyed. This new story, "The Outlaws of Tunstall Forest," covers the most romantic period in English history, and it is full of adventure, rich in excellent characterization, in abundant invention, with a spice of that romance which belongs to many of Sir Walter Scott's novels. The story is a clear and sharp departure from the realistic fiction of the day, and will be popular with young and old.

It lies in the mouth of Scott, of Pennsylvania, to suggest that Mr. Randall lacks the courage of his convictions.

According to all accounts the goddess of reform is on a spree in the state of Kentucky.

Tuesday Night's Great Storm.

The storm which swept over the state Tuesday night was peripatetic. It dipped around from place to place in a manner at once bewildering and sensational. From the fatal visit to Lumber City to the house-breaking in Calhoun was a long distance, but the country between was pretty well spotted with smaller work.

The storm seems to have blown up from the gulf, that fruitful nest of tornadoes, and, upon striking the western border of Georgia, to have come in collision with something which caused it to part into two columns. One of these passed on through the Chattahoochee valley, and escaped across Calhoun into Tennessee, where it went careening on its way of destruction. The other, after its fatal work in Lumber City, crossed the state into South and North Carolina, and spent its force on the Atlantic.

Considering the extent of the disturbance, the fatalities were very few.

It is not claimed that Vanderbilt's new cook knows how to bake crackling bread. He should be returned to Europe as an incompetent.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch and New York World quote from each other with unfailing frequency. Both are owned by that able American, Joey Pulitzer. This is a very neat style of advertising.

They Must Have Blaine.

The New York Tribune is evidently bent on bringing Blaine before the republican convention, and seems to be working systematically to that end.

It recently made a canvass, through its correspondents, of representative republicans throughout the north, and announces that 7,000 responses were received, the canvass being based on the assumption that Blaine would not be in the race. Of these more than one-third say that Blaine must allow the use of his name, and that he will be forced into the race, whether or not with his consent.

About one-seventh of the responses are for Depew, while Sherman leads, with "Blaine anyhow" closely behind him.

This is but one of the straws which show the wonderful popularity of Blaine with the republican party. Had he been avowedly in the race, of the 7,000 republicans who expressed their preferences through the Tribune being based on the assumption that Blaine would not be in the race, more than one-third say that Blaine must allow the use of his name, and that he will be forced into the race, whether or not with his consent.

No other prominent republican seems to be able to crystallize the strength of the party. Sherman has a strong following, but Gresham or Harrison, Allison, Hiseock or Depew, Hawley, and probably others, will go to the convention with a backing which will not yield to him soon enough to give him the nomination. Just here is where Blaine's admirers will get in their work.

The delegates who will compose the strength of these men will in all probability have the highest regard for Blaine, as the man whose voluntary declination took him out of the race for the nomination, in which he could have certainly succeeded had he desired. Had Blaine been in the contest many of these delegates would have been in the convention as Blaine men. If they can be convinced that Blaine will accept, every state will be broken and Mr. Blaine will carry the convention by storm.

Blaine will no doubt be heard from at the proper time, and in the meantime his friends are feeling it that they will be heard from in the convention.

The ways and means committee composed to wander in the free-trade wilderness. The members should trot into our populous congress and report their bill.

The Savannah News says that "Randall is a traitor." If so, the country needs more such traitors.

Following Vincent's Example.

The intelligence of the defalcation and disappearance of State Treasurer Tate, of Kentucky, is an astonishing piece of news. The sad death of Polk, the defuncting treasurer of Tennessee, and the spectacle of Vincent, of Alabama, working out a fifteen years' sentence in the mines, led people to think that we had come to the end of this epidemic of defalcation, so far as our own southern state treasurers were concerned.

It appears, however, that this expectation was too sanguine. After holding the office for more than twenty years, "Honest Old Tate," as he was called, has suddenly disappeared, leaving the Kentucky treasury minus several hundred thousand dollars. The case is all the more startling, because unlike Polk and Vincent, Tate is said to have held himself aloof from speculation and gaming. He was not an extravagant liver. How, then, did he come to take this money, and what did he do with it? Possibly he was ruined by his confidence in his friends. Men may have worked upon his sympathetic side, and borrowed the state's money. When the critical moment came, perhaps, they failed him. In the absence of anything more definite this theory of the case may be the correct one.

It is a sad business all the way through. Corruption in high places is bound to work its way to lower levels. The morality of a people's rulers and office-holders will be accepted by the masses as their standard. It is evident, therefore, that our gentlemen of high position have a big job before them, and a little old-fashioned honesty will be found to be the thing most needed just now in politics, in business, and in all the relations of life.

GENERAL ADAM BADEAU has placed himself in the position of claiming to have written General Grant's "Memoirs." It is a position from which he will never recover.

It is announced that Congressman Scott, of Pennsylvania, is disgusted with the Louisiana congressmen. Owing to the fact that Scott is the only truly great man in his country, this announcement is very important.

The Whisky Ring's Work.

When Editor Waterson is asked whether the states of New York, Connecticut and New Jersey can be included in the next campaign, with the president's message as the platform, he gaily, and in glowing terms, asks us to look at the populous and pulsating northwest.

Well, we have been asked to do this before. On several memorable occasions we have enthusiastically looked to the populous and pulsating northwest for democratic victories, but we have been disappointed. We were requested to look to that section in 1880, and likewise in 1884; but the result was always the same.

There was a good deal of democratic talk before the election, but when the votes came to be counted the result was the same—republicanism was on top in the northwest in those elections. Is there any reason for believing that the result would be different if the party were to commit itself to the Mills bill?

Here we see the beautiful workings of the whisky ring, which is not in politics to any great extent, except so far as it can control western and southern congressmen. The whisky ring is on top, and it will finally carry out its purposes by defeating the democratic party.

EVEN THE NEW YORK WORLD requests Brer Morrison to stop his wire-pulling and attend to the business for which the government pays him. Coming from the World this is quite an attack.

EDITORIAL POSTSCRIPT.

THE STORM PREDICTED by Mr. Hicks came promptly on time, and fully satisfied the expectations of the public.

WHEN THE COLD WAVE flag, bobs up after a long spell of rest it looks bigger, blacker and more blizzardy than ever.

THE TEMPERANCE PEOPLE should bear in mind the fact that nothing aids their cause more effectively than bad liquor.

WE NO LONGER know much about weather signs, but the fact that spring poetry has begun to put in its appearance is significant.

THE INDIA RUBBER girl in tight boots who has herself into all sorts of knots can beat Charles Dickens when it comes to drawing a crowd.

WALK AND TALK.

"Evening papers—all 'bent do cyclone," yelled a small newsboy as he went into a Beatrice street saloon last night.

"Don't want any of your papers," said a rather nervous individual to the boy.

"Well," said the kid, eyeing him suspiciously, "judging by your looks I guess you do know all about it."

A beer mug missed his head as he dodged out of the door.

The Southern League schedule committee has finished its labor. Contrary to expectations the schedule confines the games to those cities having clubs. The season begins on April 7th, with Atlanta at St. Louis.

Secretary Byrne, of the arbitration committee, telegraphed President Wilson that the right of peace and reservation had been granted to the Southern League.

Unless something is accomplished today by the gentlemen who are interesting themselves in the reclamation of base ball interests in Atlanta, it may be taken for granted that base ball is dead.

Tomorrow the meeting of Driving associations will be held in this city. Everybody hopes a strong circuit may be formed.

An Atlanta jury has decided a man's leg to be valued at \$500.

Atlanta's streets got a good washing Tuesday night. The storm did that much good.

Atlanta was full of politicians yesterday and the hotels presented livelier scenes than usual. Judging by appearances one is safe in saying there are as many candidates as there are offices to be filled.

SO AND SO.

Poverty Flats, Jackson Prairie, Hell's Hole, and Devil's Ranch are no longer western post offices. They have been renamed.

Hannibal Hamlin, at the age of eighty-nine, is the only survivor of the eight senators who were on the national ticket of 1860.

It is noticed in Mexico that the laying of railroad tracks produces rain. As fast as construction advances the rain comes.

A eccentric individual named William Watts, who died a few days ago at Burlington, Kan., left a funny will. He was father of a woman and a cock, and made no distinction between the two. He left the cock to his wife and the woman to his cock.

To "shell" the shell road at St. Augustine, Florida, for 1½ miles, will take 50,000 barrels of shells.

A French bachelor advertised for a wife. A typographical error changed his age from 27 to 87, but it made no difference, as the lady was aged and fifty applicants from ladies ranging from the age of sixteen to sixty, and all promising love and devotion to the rest of his existence.

Some years ago Miss Yeager was attacked by a snake while on an English railroad, and the public immediately demanded compartments for "ladies only," and they were introduced. Experience shows that the women will have none of them. One road reports that less than 150 women occupied places out of 2,100 set apart for them, while during the same period over 6,000 women occupied seats in smoking compartments. They will not leave the men alone, and the latter, say they are much inconvenienced.

TATE'S SHORTAGE.

Republicans Say It Will Defeat the Democrats in Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 21.—Up to 10 o'clock this morning the city has been in a state of excitement concerning the defalcation in the state treasury of Kentucky. Conservative reports from the state capital place the deficit at \$125,000 and \$150,000, the former being the amount stated by Auditor Hewett. More sensational dispatches place the deficit at \$200,000 and \$250,000. The fact that Tate left Louisville Friday night for Cincinnati, nothing is known of his whereabouts. It is believed that he fled from the city to Buffalo and thence to Canada. His friends think that when his papers are overhauled, a statement from him will be found. The republicans are claiming that Tate's defalcation will enable them to carry the state at the next election, and they say Tate's shortage is but a proof of the charges made by the republicans on the state. Tate went into office found in the treasury \$1,300,000. He went out leaving it comparatively empty and carrying possibly several hundred thousand dollars in debt. The effect on the democratic party may not be of a wholesome character, but it will certainly cause the republicans to turn forth new energy and gather in the democrats who believe in honest government, and will certainly stop that everlasting cry of democratic party defalcation which has been so long a cry. You can say for me that I believe Tate's shortage will be of much benefit to the republican party, and that it will carry the state for the republicans unless the fall we will make things hum at the next state election.

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IT WAS LOADED.

A Resolution Which Creates a Stir in the Committee.

The Tariff Question Sprung—Two Conventions to Be Held, One at Atlanta—Full Report of the Meeting.

The quiet and harmony of yesterday's meeting of the democratic state executive committee was broken by a bombshell in the shape of a resolution which was introduced by Mr. B. B. Ridley and J. Hunt, of the sixth; H. B. Hamilton, of the seventh; Hamilton McWhorter, of the eighth; and K. H. Baker, of the ninth.

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The chairman spoke of the efficiency with which Mr. Ellis had performed the duties of secretary and that gentleman was re-elected.

One of the resolutions introduced by the gentleman to be present: Hon. Patrick Walsh, member of the national committee; Captain Harry Jackson, as proxy for Dr. H. D. Spalding, and W. R. Rankin, of Gordon, members for the state at large; G. A. Mercer and W. A. Wright, proxy for E. H. Crawley, of first district; C. B. Stevier and H. H. Calhoun, proxy for Wm. A. Harris, of the second; W. B. Wilkinson and C. A. Reid, of the fourth; W. D. Ellis and J. B. Tilton, of the fifth; H. B. Ridley and J. Hunt, of the sixth; D. B. Hamilton, of the seventh; Hamilton McWhorter, of the eighth; and K. H. Baker, of the ninth.

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